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Report from Havana—Case of yellow fever on steamship Havana from Mexican ports.

HAVANA, CUBA, September 25, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions at this port during the week ended September 20, 1902:

OFFICE.

| Number of health certificates issued. | 8 |
|---|-----|
| Number of immune certificates issued. | 63 |
| Number of applications for immune certificates rejected | 1 |
| Number of vessels inspected and issued bills of health | 20 |
| Number of crews inspected, outgoing vessels | 736 |
| Number of passengers inspected, outgoing vessels | 292 |
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SANATOR.

| Number of cargo and passenger vessels disinfected | 3 |
|--|-----|
| Number of pieces of baggage and ships' dunnage disinfected | 164 |
| Number of passengers and crews inspected | 79 |

SHORE PLANT.

| Number of pieces of baggage disinfected | 70 |
|--|-------|
| Number of pieces of express matter disinfected | 7 |
| Number of pieces of baggage inspected and passed | 54 |
| Number of pieces of express matter and freight inspected | 1,552 |

A third-class passenger was removed from the steamship *Havana*, from Mexican ports, on September 16, the day after the arrival of the vessel at Havana. The patient, a Turk, embarked at Progreso and was en route to New York. He was removed to the Las Animas Hospital. A note to the effect that a suspicious case had been removed from this vessel was made on the bill of health. The Cuban quarantine officials fumigated the apartment which the man had occupied. The yellow fever board here confirmed the diagnosis of yellow fever on September 19, the case being a very mild one.

The usual weekly mortuary report is inclosed.

Respectfully,

F. E. TROTTER,

Assistant Surgeon, In Temporary Charge.

The Surgeon-General.

[Inclosure.]

Mortuary report of the city of Havana, Cuba, for the week ended September 25, 1902.

| Typhoid | 5 9 3 | Meningitis La grippe | 5 1 |
|------------|-------------|-------------------------|--------|
| Bronchitis | 5 | | |

Report from Matanzas.

MATANZAS, CUBA, September 22, 1902.

SIR: Through the medical officer in command, Havana, Cuba, I have the honor to submit the following report for the week ended September 20, 1902: Three bills of health were issued to vessels leaving this port for the United States. Twenty deaths occurred in this city due to the following-named causes: Tuberculosis, 7; entero septic fever, 2; enter-

itis, 1; infantile tetanus, 1; peritonitis, 1; eclampsia, 1; hepatic cirrhosis, 2; arterio-sclerosis, 2; other causes, 3. Annual rate for week, 20.32 per 1,000.

Respectfully,

R. H. VON EZDORF,

Assistant Surgeon.

The Surgeon-General.

Report from Santiago de Cuba.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, September 16, 1902.

SIR: Through Asst. Surg. F. E. Trotter, at Havana, I have the honor to submit the following report for the week ended September 13, 1902: Bills of health were issued to 4 vessels bound for the United States. The Norwegian steamship *Hiso* was disinfected before leaving for Mobile. No quarantinable disease has been reported. I inclose the weekly abstract of bills of health and the mortality statistics for the week.

Respectfully,

RICHARD WILSON,

Acting Assistant Surgeon.

The Surgeon-General.

[Inclosure.]

Mortality statistics for the week ended September 13, 1902, for Santiago de Cuba.

| Tubercle of lungs | 2 |
|---|----|
| Cerebral congestion and hemorrhage | ĩ |
| Cerebral softening | ī |
| Tetanus. | |
| Organic diseases of the heart | |
| Broncho-pneumonia | 1 |
| Diarrhea and enteritis (under 2 years) | 2 |
| Diarrhea and enteritis (2 years and over) | 1 |
| Abscess of the liver | 1 |
| Bright's disease. | 2 |
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| Total | 15 |

Annual rate of mortality for the week, 18.1 per 1,000. Estimated population, 43,000.

ECUADOR.

Quarantine measures at Guayaquil.

GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR, August 26, 1902.

SIR: With reference to my No. 10 of the 20th instant, I have the honor to inform you that the authorities of this port have decreed that all vessels arriving from Puntarenas, Costa Rica, be admitted if provided with clean bill of health.

Vessels from Panama must submit to three days observation at Puna before granted free pratique.

That owing to there being no more cases of yellow fever at this place,

clean bills of health be issued.

The last steamship, British steamship *Peru*, from Panama, which should have arrived here yesterday, continued direct to Paita, Peru, so as to avoid the three days observation required by the port authorities. The mail will be brought here by the next steamship coming from South.

Respectfully,

TH. NAST, United States Consul.

The Assistant Secretary of State.